



T.E.A.C.H. Early
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We want to hear from you!

Recently, we have heard from numerous scholars about some barriers regarding your classes, accessibility & availability including technology and resources. We have put together a survey in order to give you an opportunity to give us your genuine experiences, opinion and feedback! We want to work on these issues/concerns on your behalf but need your words and specific experiences to take to the colleges/university to see what we can advocate for you and your needs!

If you have not yet completed this survey to give us your feedback, please do so [here](#).

T.E.A.C.H. follow up!

We have begun sending out notices and information to scholars who have contracts that **expire on December 31, 2017**. Emails have been sent and documents that need to be returned are currently in the mail. **Please return all requested items as soon as possible so that your renewal contract can be processed in a timely manner.** If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact your T.E.A.C.H. Counselor Maria at 302-764-1500 ext. 104.



Recipient Spotlight:

**Carrette Monsanto-
FCC, Dover**



My experience with T.E.A.C.H. has been a positive motivator that will carry me through my Early Childhood Career. I have been in the FCC field since 2004, and I knew at some point I would want to explore how far I can go in my EC field. I was not sure where to start, and a little reluctant, but I decided to go to College and earn a degree. The help and

support from the T.E.A.C.H. staff made this journey easier. I continue to build on my experiences, knowledge and I want to continue to use my skills to serve the families in my community. I received my AAS degree in 2016 and continue my learning at Wilmington University for my Bachelor's degree. I would encourage any child care professional to take advantage of the T.E.A.C.H. program and they will support and help you through this journey. I will always be proud to be a T.E.A.C.H. scholar. I appreciate the financial support to attain my higher education which I would not have been able to do on my own. Thank you T.E.A.C.H.!

Carrette was fortunate to have Kim Krzanowski, Director of OEL and Secretary of Education Bunting visit her program earlier this month!

Counselor Comments

Have you had your **Professional Development Plan** completed? This is a very important piece of the T.E.A.C.H. scholarship and contract accountability component.

The PDP's are now required on an annual basis; at the start of your contract, then each year upon renewal. We want to make sure that we are identifying all of your needs to help you be **SUCCESSFUL!** Maria will be contacting you in the upcoming weeks to schedule this appointment; you may also call the office to schedule your PDP in advance. Thank you!

Would you like to learn more about how we can help you at T.E.A.C.H. or daeyc? If so, please contact our Counselor Maria Staman at 302-764-1500 x 104 or mstaman@daeyc.org *"Where no question is too small!"*



In your words....

What has the scholarship meant to you personally and professionally?

"If I had not had the T.E.A.C.H scholarship, I would not have been able to return to college. I have been out of school for 35 years and did not think I would ever go back."

-FCC Owner, Kent County

"I wouldn't have been able to go back to college without the T.E.A.C.H. program. It's been a long process, for

me personally, but it's providing me with access to higher education that wouldn't have been achievable otherwise."

-Administrator, Sussex County

"T.E.A.C.H. has made it possible for me to reach my professional career goals."

- Teacher at a Center, Sussex County



Fall Form B Due



Fall invoices from your colleges and universities are coming in. Please be sure that you have submitted a Form B for the Fall semester. This form **NEEDS** to be submitted

even if you did not purchase books as this is how we determine that this semester was active for you. We are asking for Form B' to be submitted as

soon as you purchase books or know that you do not need any, so within the first few weeks of the semester, please do not wait until the end of the semester to submit these forms. **Travel reimbursements will not be processed without this form.**

Follow us!!!

T.E.A.C.H. is excited to be on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) now along with [Facebook](#)! Be sure to follow us on whatever platform you use! We post motivational messages, reminders, updates, and other useful resources!



We also have a private Facebook group for current students only! If you would like to join the group [TEACH Scholars](#) you can request to join!



Associate's Angles

T.E.A.C.H. currently has 74 enrolled students at DTCC George, Owens and Terry campuses. We have a new Services Counselor at the George Campus. Students that need to register for the Spring 2018 semester will need to make an appointment with Joanne Damminger, Ed.D. she is replacing Rachel Knotts. Make

sure to make your appointments with Joan soon. Registration for Spring classes begins November 7, 2017. Her Office phone is 302-888-5280 and her email is joanne.damminger@dtcc.edu.

Bachelor's Bits



T.E.A.C.H. currently has 21 enrolled students at WU and are waiting for new scholars at SC and DSU to hopefully start in the Spring! Michelle and Maria have begun meeting with the different colleges and Universities for our annual check-ins. We have really enjoyed getting to meet our partners at each institution and learning more about the programs they have to offer students, gain a better understanding of the registration process, and create plans on how we can help each you be successful on your path to becoming Degree'd Early Childhood Educators.

In the process we learned that Wilmington University and Springfield College will give you college credits for your completed CDA! If you have questions about this, please call your T.E.A.C.H. counselor. This is really exciting news!

Congrats to WU for making the 30 best Educational Studies programs - [read the full article here](#)

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CDA Corner

CDA RENEWAL AMNESTY:

The Council is offering anyone with a CDA expiration date as far back as January 1, 2007 to renew online by December 29, 2017. You still need to complete the renewal process as established by the CDA Credential. At this time T.E.A.C.H. does not have scholarships for renewal, but Maria can help answer any questions you have regarding the AMNESTY option

Please contact your T.E.A.C.H. counselor if you are interested in getting more information on the CDA program or if you are ready to apply.

Public Service Announcement:

The **Delaware State Fire School** offers safety programs for children, educators and their families at no cost as part of their mission to citizens of Delaware. These programs are developed for all ages and the content is taught in an age appropriate manner. There are a variety of topics that are available for these presentations in both fire safety and injury prevention. Some of the topics include the following: escape planning, emergency calling, hazards in the home, kitchen fire safety, firefighters as community helpers, pedestrian safety, bike safety, poison prevention, and holiday safety (Christmas and Halloween). All of the programs are available at your facility or at one of the 3 county fire school divisions by request, during the time frame that works best for your agency. If you are interested in additional information or to schedule your safety presentation please visit www.statefireschool.delaware.gov and submit your request in the forms sections of the website or contact **Kim O'Malley** at kim.omalley@state.de.us, 302-739-4773 today.





Flu Season is coming!

Yep, it is that time again! Here is a great resource from the Delaware Division of Public Health on flu shot clinics, reasons to get the flu shot, resources on how to protect from the flu this season!

[Delaware Public Health bulletin](#)

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